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## Medical Readiness Training Exercise 15-5 starts in Libreville, Gabon

**VICENZA, Italy** – In partnership with the Gabonese Defense Forces, U.S. Army Africa will conduct combined Medical Readiness Training Exercise (MEDRETE) 15-5, in Libreville, Gabon, June 10 – July 1.

Military medical personnel from Gabon and the U.S. will participate in this exercise. MEDRETE 15-5 allows medical professionals from both militaries to build and strengthen medical capacity.

The exercise allows U.S. forces to train in an austere environment, share medical procedures, and enhance Gabon's military healthcare systems ability to deliver effective general surgery and trauma response in support of regional and United Nations and African Union missions.

Once the exercise is complete, U.S. participants will return to their home station.

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